To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to support the new Encinal Terminal Project and it's desire to build up. I'm sure you're going to hear opposition from all over the place, but this is what our region needs now, all over the Bay. We need Alameda to take the lead and show other cities across the Bay how we're going to confront this housing crisis. We need density and we need it now. The Encinal Terminal's proximity to the estuary makes it ideal for this kind of project. Ensuring that the project includes infrastructure that creates cross estuary shuttles will encourage folks who move into this area to use bikes and mass transit to commute.

More importantly, the developer's desire for height gives the planning board the opportunity to negotiate for increased affordable units. We need every single one we can get.

I urge the planning board to take the time to read the latest housing assessment to come from the California Department of Housing and Community Development. Our state needs to build 1.8 million homes before 2025 in order to create a more viable housing market at every price point. The Encinal Terminal project stands to make a significant housing stock increase and we need to make the most of that opportunity.

Thank you so much for your service to this community.

Sincerely,

Angela Hockabout

Hi,

I'm an Alameda homeowner. I understand a plan is being considered for housing on Alameda Point, called Encinal Terminal. I just want to make sure my voice is heard that I support denser housing in general, and taller buildings. We need as many open units as possible.

Thanks! -mb